

Next GARS meeting is
April 12, 2011
Saint Marguerite D'Youville Church
85 Gloster Road
Lawrenceville, GA 30044

The GARzette

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A note from the President

The Disaster in Japan and Rethinking Emergency Preparedness

We are all aware of the tragic situation in Japan from the 9.0 earthquake and the subsequent tsunami. The shocking, vivid pictures and videos bring the incomprehensible images right into our living rooms and into our hearts. People died. No doubt each of them had interesting lives, some short and other full. For every person lost, there were stories of happiness, sorrow, courage, strength, and tragedy that would take a lifetime to tell. Survivors suffered, mourned, wept, and many still suffer now. It is heart breaking and there is little that most of us can do except perhaps send a donation to a relief agency and pray.



I find that as humans when we try to comprehend this kind of situation we try to relate to it from our own perspective. For me, this tragedy makes me ponder emergency preparedness, emergency communications (emcomm), and logistics. As Americans in the Southeast United States we like to think we are immune to earthquakes, but we are not. There is a group who is trying to raise awareness by running a drill on April 28th based on a similar earthquake on the New Madrid fault that would affect us in Georgia (<http://www.shakeout.org/centralus/>).



But it is not only earthquakes and tsunamis that can cause such wide scale destruction. We all remember what fifteen inches of rain did to North Georgia in October 2009. That paled in comparison to the estimated twenty to twenty four inches of rain that fell in Nashville May of last year. I cannot fathom how we would have fared had we experienced another five inches of rain during the October 2009 event. When considering things that can affect us here, the list is long and varied including hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes, asteroids, fires, floods, oh and lest we not forget terrorism.

Consider something for a moment. I am not being insensitive, but trying to make a point here about emergency preparedness in our daily lives.

Do you think anyone in Sendai woke up on March 11th and thought to themselves, “Today there will be a giant earthquake and tsunami. My friends, family, and I will probably either all be killed or left homeless.”

No. They all got up and went about their day just as we always do, performing normal daily chores and tasks and things as equally mundane as reading this article right now. The reality is we do not know what is just around the corner. All we can do is to try prepare for the worst.

The tragedy in Japan has served as a wake up call for me and for my family. We are renewing our emergency preparedness goals and efforts. Will Perkins WIZRV has done a couple of great programs for GARS in past years on this subject. I find the information on the national and state web sites for emergency preparedness very useful:

<http://www.ready.gov/>

<http://ready.ga.gov/>

Get a kit, make a plan, be informed. Great advice for surviving the unthinkable. And although this will not save everyone from disasters, it will almost certainly help us survive *after* the disaster.

From an amateur radio and emcomm point of view, it is important to have a flexible kit and to keep your skills honed. Learn how to be a net control – you may be the one with the best equipment and best location for the job. Learn how to be a good net participant that allows net control to be efficient at doing their job by knowing how to be informative, brief, and leaving a pause for breaking stations with more important traffic than yours. Also having radio direction finding skills and learning how to find a lost station can be important, “The entire landscape changed and I cannot figure out where I am. My leg is broken and I need help!” And do not forget the importance of simplex work. GARS has an outstanding group of repeaters. After a disaster it is possible or even likely that you will not have Internet (sorry no DV Dongle), cell phones, land lines, or our main repeaters and stack.



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If you can find it, a radio is likely to survive many disasters, batteries too, and wire is easily stored or found. Now, how good are you at working simplex?

If you only use HTs or tiny antennas with just enough oomph to make it to the repeater you are not going to do very well when the repeater tower is toppled.

Have you ever participated in the strange antenna challenge? Have you ever made a VHF or HF antenna out of wire in the field? Not only are practicing these activities fun and educational, but these skills could save the life of you or someone you love after a disaster.

The recent events have caused my contemplation and renewed efforts to be prepared for the worst. It is a moving target and all we can do is guess what we may need for unknown situations. But it is my sincere belief that if we are mindful and diligent about emergency preparedness then, if that day comes, we will fare far better than those who are not. Let us hope and pray we are preparing needlessly.

Turning now to GARS, we have a fantastic outing planned for the Georgia QSO party and that should be a lot of fun. I hope we have a great turn out for that. GARS has a great program coming up at its April meeting. I hope to see all of you at St. Marguerite's on April 12th.

The April meeting for GARS will be in the large classroom at St. Marguerite's.

Wishing you good health, good wealth, and good hamming,

Kyle W4KDA



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Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7PM.

For additional information view our Website at: <http://www.gars.org>

Newsletter Editor: Ray Bailey—N4GYN
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New GARS Net Manager

Let us all thank Joel Barrett W4JOL for his service to this club as our net manager. The net manager makes sure there is always a station scheduled for our various nets. It is a big responsibility and one of the jobs that can be thankless, which is unfortunate. It is a very important job.

Joel will be changing functions in GARS and I would like to thank him on behalf of GARS for his excellent service over the past few years. Thank you Joel!



Let us now welcome Scott Brown KD4YDD as our new net manager. I am confident he will do a great job. We should all remember to thank Scott from time to time for taking on this responsibility. Welcome, and thank you Scott!



GQP 50th Anniversary APRIL 9 & 10 2011



Georgia QSO Party

Annually, the second **full** weekend of April

There are two operating periods:

1800Z Saturday until 0359Z Sunday

1400Z to 2359Z on Sunday

Georgia QSO Party (GQP) RULES

Current Rules

OBJECTIVE: For amateurs outside of the state of Georgia to make contact with as many Phone and/or CW Georgia stations in as many of the 159 Georgia counties, as possible.

Georgia stations work everyone on Phone, CW, or both modes.

Remember as rovers change counties they are "new" contacts to all, even Georgia stations.

So GA stations always send their county to, and receive county from, GA stations.

The GQP shall be conducted on 160m, 80m, 40m, 20m, 15m, 10m, and 6m only.

Awards for Club competition, Out of state clubs, and Georgia clubs, are offered in each mode category along with the individual station awards.

NOTE:

160M and 6M are added bands

Multipliers Changed-- DC added separate from MD, for 51 US multipliers

VE mults changed to 13, matching RAC listing.

Learn more at: <http://gqp.contesting.com/Rules.htm>



May 20-22 2011

Global Friendship



When the Dayton Hamvention® opens May 20, 2011, for its sixtieth consecutive year the theme, "Global Friendship," will reflect an important part of ham radio according to Michael Kalter, W8CI, General Chairman for the event. "The theme emphasizes how the technology continues to bond Amateur Radio Operator's from all over the world," Kalter said.

Kalter, who has more than 20 years of experience at the event, selected Joshua Long, KD8BVB, as his Assistant General Chairman. Kalter noted that Long also has volunteered at Hamvention® for a number of years and served as chairman of the Communication Committee during 2010. "I know that Josh will give me the kind of support needed to build upon the success of last year and to lay a foundation for another great Hamvention®."

Hamvention® would not be possible without the hundreds of volunteers who give their time each year, Kalter said. He thanked all volunteers for their past support and added that many have already committed to working in 2011.

For more information: <http://www.hamvention.org/>

DX Made the Ear Grow Fonder

By Dan KB6NU, on April 3rd, 2011

[Radio World](#) is a magazine for radio managers and engineers, but occasionally they have articles of interest to radio amateurs as well. The latest article to catch my eye was [“Distance Made the Ear Grow Fonder.”](#) This is a collection of replies to an earlier article, [“AM Radio: My First Real Love.”](#)



Both are reminiscences of AM radio in the old days. Just as the author logged all of the clear channel stations west of the Mississippi, I logged them east of the Mississippi. My favorites were WBZ in Boston and WCAU in Philadelphia. Both of those stations had talk radio shows before Detroit did, and I enjoyed listening to it. Radio was my window to the world.

Nowadays, more stations play syndicated content and there's less local content, even on the clear channel stations. That's our loss truly.

Check out Dan's website at <http://kb6nu.com/> (Editor)

You Are Now Entering the “Quiet Zone”

By Dan KB6NU

Radio quiet zone, that is. The Quiet Zone is a 13,000 square mile area in the mountains straddling the states of VA and WV. The reason it was declared a quiet zone is to allow radio astronomers at the [National Radio Astronomy Observatory](#) to do their research and an NSA group to perform surveillance.

The Quiet Zone even has its own full-time interference monitor. His job is to track down any source of RFI, including power line interference and wireless speakers.

PBS' Wired Science program aired a feature on this zone. It's very interesting.

Watch the video at http://www.pbs.org/kcet/wiredscience/story/105-the_quiet_zone.html

New E-Book version of the No-Nonsense Technician Class License Study Guide

By Dan KB6NU

There are two versions:

Amazon Kindle version (http://www.amazon.com/No-Nonsense-Technician-Class-License-ebook/dp/B004G8QVD2/ref=tmm_kin_title_0?ie=UTF8&m=AG56TWVU5XWC2&qid=1295917361&sr=8-1)

and

Barnes & Noble Nook version (<http://productsearch.barnesandnoble.com/search/results.aspx?WRD=kb6nu&page=index&prod=univ&choice=allproducts&query=kb6nu&flag=False&r=1&ugrp=1>)

Japanese Hams Still Providing Communications Support

By Dan KB6NU, on March 24th, 2011

From the 3/24/11 issue of the *ARRL Letter*:

Amateur Radio operators became involved in the rescue effort soon after the March 11 8.9 earthquake and devastating tsunami that hit northern Japan, and that effort continues nearly two weeks later. “In the early stage following the earthquake and tsunami, several radio amateurs were able to activate their stations with car batteries or small engine generators, despite the electric power outages,” IARU Region 3 Secretary Ken Yamamoto, JA1CJP, told the ARRL. “They transmitted rescue requests and information on the disaster situation — including refugee centers and their needs — and the availability of basic infrastructures, such as electricity, water and gas supplies.” After the earthquake and tsunami, there was no electricity, water or gas service in many of the affected areas.

In his report to the ARRL, Yamamoto said that the Japan Amateur Radio League (JARL) activated JA1RL — its headquarters station in Tokyo — soon after the earthquake. With the help of many other amateurs, it also activated its regional headquarters station JA3RL in Osaka to communicate with the amateurs in the damaged areas, including its Tohoku headquarters station JA7RL in Sendai. “The communications were mostly on the 7 MHz band in daytime and the 3.5 MHz band at night,” Yamamoto explained. “Short range communications were also made on the 144 and 430 MHz bands. The information gathered through Amateur Radio communications was reported to the rescue and disaster relief organizations for their appropriate deployment. Some other amateurs accepted health-and-welfare inquiries from the [impacted] areas and they posted the information on the Internet.”

GARS Email Group or Reflector

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GARS/>

This is the link to log into the GARS Yahoo Group. If you aren't a member of the group, just click on the URL above and then click on Join This Group! on the main page. Or, use the form on the GARS.org web site.

If you have joined the group, you can Post a message by sending an email to GARS@yahoogroups.com

The Yahoo Group is for GARS friends and members to share information, ask questions, and make announcements.

This is your group and each member is welcome to post questions or comments relating to amateur radio. Use it! With all the new hams in the area, this is great place to ask for help. There's someone out there reading the emails that can help.

To Learn & Have Fun



- **147.075+ 82.5**
- Meetings 2nd Tuesday Jan-Nov
- Multiple nets every week
- Gigantic Field Day
- Large, Active, Diverse Club
- Family Oriented

www.gars.org

GEORGIA HAMFEST CALENDAR 2011



- **04/23/2011 | [Calhoun Hamfest](#)**

Location: Sugar Valley, GA **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Cherokee Capital Amateur Radio Society
Website: <http://www.k4woc.com> [Learn More](#)

- **05/07/2011 | [Heart of Georgia Hamfest](#)**

Location: Byron, GA **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Central GA ARC, Middle GA Radio Assn., Byron Middle School ARC, & Macon ARC
Website: <http://www.wa4ort.com>

- **05/14/2011 | [Ellijay Hamfest](#)**

Location: Ellijay, GA **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Ellijay Amateur Radio Society
Website: <http://www.ngamtn.com/w4hhh/index.php>



- **06/04/2011 | [Georgia State Convention \(Atlanta Hamfest\)](#)**

Location: Marietta, GA **Type:** ARRL Convention **Sponsor:** Atlanta Radio Club
Website: <http://www.atlantahamfest.com>

- **07/30/2011 | [Newton County Hamfest](#)**

Location: Covington, GA **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Newton County Radio Club
Website: <http://www.ncrcga.org>

- **10/08/2011 | [LaGrange Hamfest](#)**

Location: LaGrange, GA **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** LaGrange Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://www.lagrangeradioclub.org>

- **10/15/2011 | [Al Brock Memorial Hamfest/Tailgate](#)**

Location: Rome, GA **Type:** ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Northwest Georgia Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://w4vo.org>

- **11/5-6/2011 | [Stone Mountain Hamfest and Computer Expo](#)**

Location: Lawrenceville, GA **Type:** Local **Sponsor:** Alford Memorial Radio Club
Website: <http://stonemountainhamfest.com/>

JOIN ARRL - OR - RENEW YOUR ARRL MEMBERSHIP THROUGH GARS

Help the GARS Treasury by applying for ARRL membership or renewing your ARRL membership through GARS. By applying for ARRL membership through GARS we are able to keep \$15.00 of the normal membership fee for our Treasury. We can keep \$2.00 from each renewal.

Show your support for both organizations by applying through GARS.

Ralph Pickwick – KJ4CNC, GARS Treasurer, will have the ARRL applications at the monthly meetings for your use. We only ask that you don't wait till the last minute to renew, as we will only be sending the applications to ARRL on a monthly basis. We will only be accepting personal checks with the applications (no PayPal).

If you have any questions concerning this process, please contact Ralph at KJ4CNC@arrl.net.



UPCOMING HAMFEST CALENDAR

04/09/2011 | [Mobile Hamfest](#)

Location: Mobile, AL

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Mobile Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://www.w4iax.net>



04/23/2011 | [Columbia ARC Swapfest](#)

Location: Columbia, SC

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Columbia Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://www.w4cae.com>

04/23/2011 | [5th Annual TARC Tailgate Party](#)

Location: Moncks Corner, SC

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Trident Amateur Radio Club (TARC)

Website: http://www.tridenthams.org/Tailgate_Party.htm

04/29/2011 | [Southeastern VHF Society Conference](#)

Location: Huntsville, AL

Type: ARRL Convention

Sponsor: Southeastern VHF Society

Website: <http://www.svhfs.org/conference.html>

05/07/2011 | [Hamfest '11](#)

Location: Greenville, AL

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Sponsor: Jim Bell Wireless Association

Website: <http://www.k4tns.org>

05/20/2011 | [Dayton Hamvention](#)

Location: Dayton, OH

Type:

Sponsor: Dayton Amateur Radio Association

Website: <http://www.hamvention.org/>

08/20/2011 | [Alabama State Convention \(Huntsville Hamfest\)](#)

Location: Huntsville, AL

Type: ARRL Convention

Sponsor: Huntsville Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://www.hamfest.org>

BSA Venture Crew 73 Wants You

If you are between 14 and 21 years old, enjoy outdoor activities, and have an interest in radio technology, Venture Crew 73 is for you.

- Venture Crews are part of the Boy Scouts of America.
- Venture crew 73 is chartered by the Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society.
- Venture crew 73 is coed.
- Meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m., at the St. Marguerite D'Youville Catholic Church, 85 Gloster Rd. NW, Lawrenceville, GA 30044.
- Crew 73 is a youth-run organization, which means that our Crew President and other youth plan the Crew's outings and activities each month.

We enjoy:

- o Camping
- o Hiking
- o Horseback Riding
- o Shooting Sports

- Crew activities usually mix high adventure and the use of Amateur Radio.
- For more information, attend our next meeting or contact:

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GARS Communications

| | |
|--|---|
| 2 Meter Repeater 147.075(+) MHz 82.5 PL Tone | 2 Meter Repeater 147.255(+) MHz 107.2 PL Tone |
| APRS 144.390 -- 1200 Baud W4GR | 6 Meter Repeater 53.110 (-1 MHz) 82.5 PL Tone |
| D-Star WD4STR 145.060 + (1.4 MHz) 440.550 + (5 MHz) | 70 Cm Repeater 444.525(+) MHz 82.5 PL Tone |
| Main Repeater Site Oak Street, Lawrenceville | Backup Repeater Site Lanier Mountain, Snellville |

Your cell-phone's ring tone is your Ham radio call sign, sent in Morse Code
<http://www.planetofnoise.com/midi/morse2mid.php>

**The following members are
celebrating birthdays
in April:**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!
From All of Us at GARS

Paul Branson KA4YZR

Evelyn Whalen KE4PLW

Anna Dominquez KF4UOC

Andrea Hartlage KG4IUM

Stan McDonald KI4H

Weldon Dowd N4PYP

Dozier Griffith WA4DEO

GARS Recurring Calendar

- Monthly club meeting is the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Check the website <http://www.gars.org> for location.
- Every Monday at 8 p.m.: GARS Want, Swap, Sell, and Information Net on the GARS 2-meter repeater.
- Every Wednesday at 9 p.m.: GARS 6-meter net on the GARS 6-meter repeater.
- Every Saturday at 7:30 a.m.: GARS Weekly Family Breakfast, Golden Corral Restaurant, Riverside Drive, Lawrenceville.

**Meeting Minutes
GARS General Meeting March 8, 2011**

1. Kyle Albritton, W4KDA, President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.
2. Introductions of first time visitors and others present.
3. Business:

Treasurer's Report - Ralph Pickwick, KJ4CNC:

GARS will start accepting ARRL memberships and renewals that will be forwarded to the ARRL. GARS receives a portion of every transaction.

GARS field day t-shirts can be purchased from the GARS website. The shirts will be red with pockets and cost \$12.

4. Committee Reports:

Membership – Dave Bruse, W4DTR, reported the following:

- ♦ Mark Price voted in as new member
- ♦ Bill Grimes, voted in as new member
- ♦ Weldon Dowd, N4PYP, voted in as a new member

!! GARS has 181 total members !!

5. **Sandy Jackson, KJ4DRO**, announced the programs for upcoming meetings:

⇒ **APRIL** program will be “**Elmers and Mentors, or How I Became a Gentleman Antenna Farmer**” given by Ralph Pickwick, KJ4CNC.

⇒ **MAY** program will be “**King Spark and Blue Lightning**” given by Hal Kennedy, N4GG.

6. **Kyle Albritton, W4KDA**, announced that **there will be a fox hunt/antenna build on June 11th at 1pm. It will be held at the Lowes at 3260 Lawrenceville Suwanee Rd.**
7. **Kyle Albritton, W4KDA**, reminded everyone that **the club is looking for alternative meeting locations.** Members were encouraged to make suggestions for new meeting locations. **The April meeting will be at St. Marguerite d’Youville Catholic Church.**
8. **Kyle Albritton, W4KDA**, announced that the club is **looking someone to volunteer as net manager.**
9. **David Harden, KJ4CMY**, announced a forum for new hams on March 15th, there will be a session where attendees will build a J-Pole antenna
10. **Earl Whatley, AF4FG**, reminded everyone that **GARS will be assisting with the Dacula Memorial Day Parade on May 30th. Volunteers are needed.**
11. **Field Day** will be held on June 25th and 26th at Sweetwater Park
12. The program was a presentation about the K4L Sapelo Special Event given by Harold Hawkins, KD8DVY.

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6. Break

14. Norm Schklar, WA4ZXV, made a short presentation on the **GA QSO Party scheduled for April 9-10.**

15. Prize drawings.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Hal Collier W4IGE, Secretary

What's new on the WEB SITE?

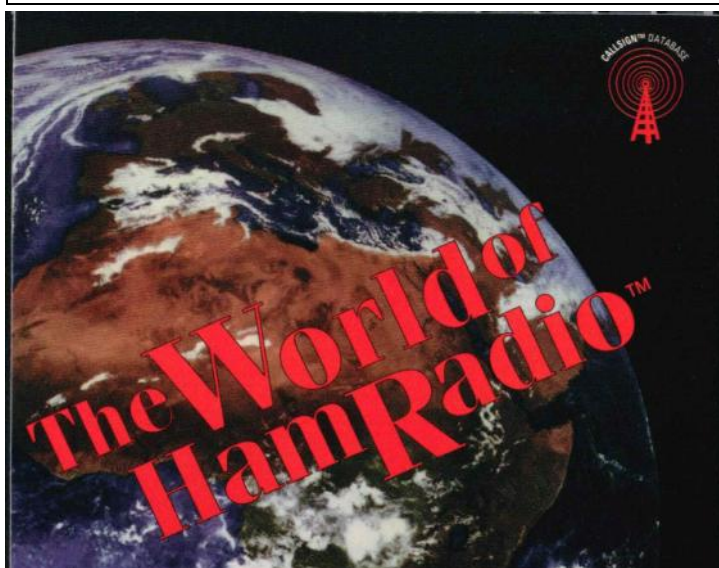
The web site now features an upload and download section. Any file (amateur radio related) that you would like to share with the web site, you may post.

The file size limit is 6MB.

You should notice a change to the user menu. It will change when you log in to give you more options.

Are you using the web site to renew your membership?
Do you get the GARZETTE from the web site?

73, *David* KA4KKF



Calendar for April 2011 (United States)

| April | | | | | | |
|---|-----|-----------------------|-----|-----|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| | | | | | 1 APRIL FOOLS DAY | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 Georgia QSO Party |
| 10 Georgia QSO Party | 11 | 12 GARS Meeting | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 EASTER | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| Phases of the moon: 3:● 11:● 17:○ 24:● | | | | | | |
| Holidays and Observances: 24: Easter Sunday | | | | | | |

Metro Testing Sessions

GARS publishes Metro Atlanta VE exam schedules as a service and is not responsible for errors or changes. Call and confirm schedules before going. All sessions are walk-in. Take copies of current license and certificate of completed elements with you to all sessions. Find additional sessions online at <http://www.arrl-ga.org>.

First Saturday, Even Months

9 a.m.

EOC Building

Butch Nitz, AF4FS

(770) 968-8780

First Wednesday

7 p.m.

ARRL/VEC

Roberts School

4681 School Street, Acworth

Jodi Escher AG4BK

(770) 387-1591

Second Saturday, Odd Months

ARRL VEC

8:30 a.m.

Stone Mountain Methodist Church

5312 West Mountain St.

Stone Mountain

Bob Varone, W4ETN

(770) 978-3179

Third Saturday

CA VEC

9 a.m.

Latter Day Saints Church

Room 107

95 Holt Road NE

Marietta, GA 30068

David Still, WB4RRD

(707) 973-2566

Third Sunday

W5YI VEC

3 p.m.

Lawrenceville Masonic Lodge

465 S. Perry St.

Lawrenceville, GA 30044

(770) 963-5721

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Ham Exam results for March 2011

We had five VE's present and three people to take their ham exams.

VE's present:

Frank Sauciunas KF4TQV

David Bruse W4DTR

Bill Cherepy WB4WTN

Brian Page N4TRB

Mark Fehlig WA6NGC

Exam results:

1 new Technician

2 failed General (same person)

1 failed Extra

We have seen much better ham exam sessions. We always encourage people that fail an exam to continue studying and return for another ham exam.

Thanks to all the Volunteer Examiners that help keep Amateur Radio alive and well.

73, *Frank Sauciunas* KF4TQV

Fourth Tuesday

ARRL VEC

7 p.m.

United Way Service Center

6279 Fairburn Rd.

Douglasville

Fourth Sunday

2:30 p.m. Georgia Tech

VanLeer Elec. Building Rm.

W218 77 Atlantic Dr.

See www.w4aql.com

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Metro Club Meetings

First Tuesday

Kennehoochee ARC

Southern Polytechnic

State University

Meeting begins at 7:30 PM

Talk In 146.880(-)

First Thursday

Atlanta Radio Club

Georgia Red Cross HQ

1955 Monroe Dr., Atlanta

Meeting is at 7:30 PM

Talk In -146.820(-)

N.E. Georgia ARC

Commerce Public Library

Meeting is at 6:30 PM

Talk In - 147.225(+)

PL 123.0

Second Monday

Georgia Tech ARC

Room W218

Van Leer Electrical

Engineering Bldg.

Georgia Tech Campus

Meeting at 7:00 PM

Second Thursday

Alford Memorial Radio Club

Annistown Road Baptist Church

Intersection of Annistown

Rd & Spain Rd

Stone Mountain

Dinner at 6:00 PM

Meeting at 7:30 PM

Talk In - 146.760(-)

Second Saturday

North GA QRP Club

Board Room of The

Shepherd Center at

2020 Peachtree Rd, NW, Atlanta

at 10:00 AM

Third Tuesday

North Fulton Amateur Radio

League

Masonic Lodge

194 Milton Avenue

Alpharetta, Georgia

meeting at 7:30 PM

Talk In - 145.47(-)

APPAREL ORDER FORM

NAME: _____ PHONE # _____

CALL: _____ (To avoid errors, please PRINT legibly)

NAME TO BE EMBROIDERED: _____

CALL SIGN TO BE EMBROIDERED: _____

| ITEM | SIZE | QUANTITY | PRICE | TOTAL |
|--|------|----------|---------|-------|
| T-SHIRT | | | | |
| Red WITHOUT name & call | | | \$20.00 | |
| White WITHOUT name & call | | | \$20.00 | |
| Red WITH name & call | | | \$20.00 | |
| White WITH name & call | | | \$20.00 | |
| GOLF SHIRT -- WITHOUT name & call | | | | |
| Red | | | \$24.00 | |
| White | | | \$24.00 | |
| GOLF SHIRT -- WITH name & call | | | | |
| Red | | | \$28.00 | |
| White | | | \$28.00 | |
| SWEATSHIRT | | | | |
| Red WITHOUT name & call | | | \$30.00 | |
| White WITHOUT name & call | | | \$30.00 | |
| Red WITH name & call | | | \$30.00 | |
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| LIGHTWEIGHT JACKET -- RED ONLY | | | | |
| WITHOUT name & call | | | \$31.00 | |
| WITH name & call | | | \$35.00 | |
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| WITHOUT name & call | | | \$41.00 | |
| WITH name & call | | | \$45.00 | |
| GARS BADGE -- WITH name & call | | | \$9.00 | |
| HAT -- WITHOUT name & call | | | | |
| Red | | | \$9.00 | |
| White | | | \$9.00 | |
| HAT -- WITH name & call | | | | |
| Red | | | \$16.00 | |
| White | | | \$16.00 | |

TOTAL ORDER PRICE: _____

Please attach your check made payable to GARS and return to Ralph Pickwick, KJ4CNC or mail to:

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NOTE: Please allow at least 4 weeks for delivery of items. Some items may need to be special ordered.

Thanks and 73s! -- Ralph KJ4CNC

GWINNETT AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

- ☐ NEW MEMBER
☐ RENEWAL

Name: _____ Call Sign: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ (mm/dd/yyyy) ARRL Member (circle one): Yes No Life

Interests: _____

Type of Membership

- ☐ Individual \$30.00 annually
☐ Student \$15.00 annually
☐ Senior \$15.00 annually (over age 65)
☐ Family ** \$35.00 annually

*** Available for family members residing at the same address*

Optional Contributions

Repeater Fund: \$_____

Scholarship Fund: \$_____

Additional Family Members **

Name: _____ Call Sign: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ (mm/dd/yyyy) ARRL Member (circle one): Yes No Life

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I agree to abide by the By-Laws of the Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society and understand that membership is subject to the approval of the Club.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

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Amount Received: \$_____

Member Approved: ____/____/____

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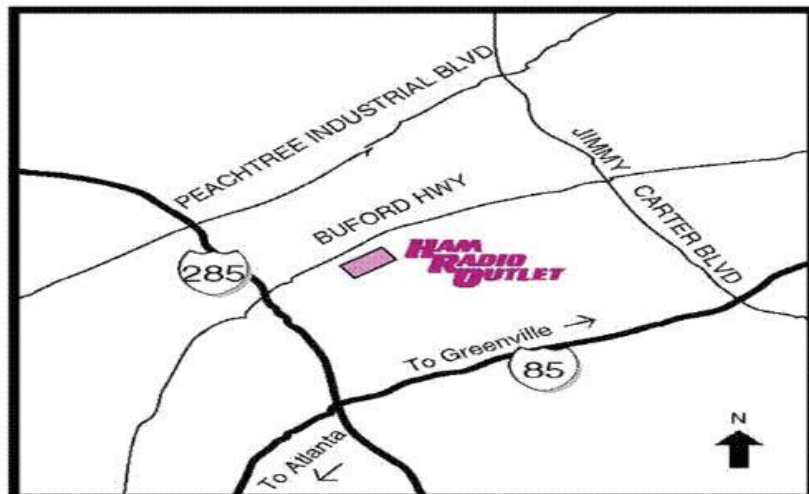
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